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## JACKSON, MISS.

Three Cases of Yellow Fever There.

One of the Stricken Dies, and an Autopsy Tells the Tale.

The Board of Health, After Consultation, Concludes That

They Are Genuine Cases of the Terrible Yellow Plague.

The Honorable Board Conceals Nothing, and Gives the News

To the World, Telegraphing It to All Points Interested.

Vicksburg Quarantines, and Will Not Allow Trains to Come In.

Many Mississippi Towns Quarantine Against Jackson.

Two Deaths and Four New Cases of Fever at Decatur, Ala.

People Fleeing in All Manner of Movable Conveyances.

The Country for Miles About Decatur Panic Stricken.

Inhabitants of Jackson Take Flight in All Directions—The Banks Drawn Upon to the Amount of \$40,000—One Hundred and Thirty-One New Cases at Jacksonville.

Special Dispatch to The Appeal.  
JACKSON, Miss., Sept. 20.—At 3 o'clock p.m. today, the following notice appeared on the bulletin board of the *Clarion-Ledger*: "Three Suspicious Cases of Fever in Jackson—Dr. Johnson, Galloway, Harrington and Morgan reported three cases of suspicious fever in Jackson. A consultation will be held this evening at which visiting physicians will be present. The parties are John Lorance, policeman; Mr. Lee, painter, at work on the Illinois Central depot, and Mr. Calhoun, clerk at the Illinois Central depot."

Come to my knowledge that there are several cases of yellow fever in Jackson, Miss. Now, therefore, I, E. F. Brennan, mayor of the city of Brookhaven, by the power in me vested, and by order of the mayor and aldermen of the city of Brookhaven, do hereby declare a quarantine against all persons coming from Jackson and other places known to be infected.

"Done this 20th day of September, 1888." —E. F. BRENNAN.

No fears whatever are entertained that the fever will reach here, as the rigid quarantine regulations which kept the fever out in 1878 will be enforced.

## DECATUR, ALA.

The Latest News from There—Four or Five New Cases.

Special Dispatch to The Appeal.

TUSCALOOSA, Ala., Sept. 20.—The most reliable report from Decatur at 11:30 o'clock tonight is to the effect that there are now four or five cases of yellow fever there and as many more suspected cases, with one death tonight. Dr. Bowman, who attended Spencer, the man who was first stricken with it, is said tonight to be getting well. The information from Decatur is very meager. The doctors there now say there is no use trying longer to believe that it is not epidemic, but say they have a hard fight before them. It is estimated that fully 2,000 people have fled from the city in the past twenty-four hours, walking, riding and getting away in every way that they could employ or devise. The train men coming in from toward Decatur this evening said the whole line of road was lined with foot passengers, many of them not carrying even a bundle, while others had bundles swinging over their shoulders on sticks. The companies along the road are besieged with refugees begging piteously to be taken in and offering any amount of money for shelter. The feeling along the road is panicky, a number of the towns and counties quarantining against trains in both directions, not allowing them to stop. Among the train men is Grand Junction. No train in either direction will be allowed to stop at Decatur. No west-bound train will be allowed to stop at Corinth. No train is allowed to stop tonight, pending the action of the local board of health. In Tishomingo county, Miss., in which is situated Luka, no west-bound train will be allowed to stop, and all the smaller towns have the same rigid quarantine.

Hannibal, Mo., is quarantined against Decatur, as a result of which this city has been giving refuge to her doors. No words could give a description to the gloom which has settled upon our own city. The streets are now crowded with anxious groups talking with bated breath of the terrible scourge which all seem to think that we cannot possibly escape, and many have already made provisions to depart to the mountains or to seek safety at the head of the river. But unless the situation is exaggerated, by the strict guard that is now thrown around Tuscaloosa it will, in all probability, escape.

## TUSCALOOSA, ALA.

More News from Decatur—The Reported Deaths—Refugees Begging.

Special Dispatch to The Appeal.

TUSCALOOSA, Ala., Sept. 20.—The whole population of this place is apprehensive of the spread of the fever from Decatur. Quarantine regulations which have been strict will be made more so tomorrow. A house to house canvas of the city will be made tomorrow to discover if there be any Decatur refugees here, and if so to order them to leave town. The authorities have been doing some work of this kind. The reliable information which now comes to us is that there have been two deaths and one case under treatment, but it is believed there are several more cases there. It is likely that the Tuscaloosa authorities will order a quarantine against the Memphis & Charleston railroad, and they are urged to do this by the popular voice. Those who have come from Decatur today report that the whole intervening country is filled with refugees, and that the houses of farmers are constantly being applied for shelter whose supplications are most heartrending.

## ATLANTA, GA.

Refugees from Decatur Swarming Through That Place.

Special Dispatch to The Appeal.

ATLANTA, Ga., Sept. 20.—The people here are not enjoying any feeling of security just at this time. The information that comes from Decatur is calculated to frighten any one. People are coming from that town in all sorts of ways, and their number is increasing rapidly. It is reported here that there are ten cases in Decatur today, and this information is official. It is understood there have been from three to five actual deaths and that about half a dozen have died after leaving the place. The mayor has just sent a force of men to the south, along the dirt and rail roads to prevent further spread of the refugees. The following is from the police magistrate's office: "Great panic in Decatur. Large numbers are crossing the country in every available way. Two negroes presented health certificates to the health officer of Limestone county, signed R. E. Cross, certifying that they were not from infected districts. The general opinion is that the disease is rapidly spreading in Decatur and has become epidemic."

## SHEFFIELD, ALA.

The Blame Should Be Put Upon the Mayor of Jackson, Tenn.

Special Dispatch to The Appeal.

JACKSON, Tenn., Sept. 20.—Our attention has been called to a paragraph in last Friday's *Appeal* which reflects unfairly on one of our most highly respected physician's vice, in regard to changing a fee of 50 cents for health certificates. The facts of the case are as follows: When the first alarm of yellow fever was given Dr. John W. Young had no authorized board of health, and Health Officer Dr. R. H. Cartwell received no compensation when sent to visit paper patients. No salary being paid him by the city's health officer, when sent to visit the trains and inspect passing to and give certificates to such as could furnish satisfactory proof of not having been in an infected district, he should look for compensation, as he was frequently called away from his office and practice at great inconveniences. Dr. Cartwell received no compensation when sent to visit the mayor's suggestion and charge a fee of 50 cents for each person examined. On Friday the 14th, the city council met and elected a board of health and instructed that no charge be made for certificates. Since Dr. Cartwell is the soul of justice, he should be put to the task of investigating the matter. All the telegraph operators are now sick, one of them bad.

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